



Minutes

Indigenous Advisory Council

Friday, October 13

12:30 PM PST – 2:30 PM PST

In-Person Meeting Location: Seattle City Hall 600 4th Ave, Seattle, WA 98104
Room 370

[Instructions for visiting Seattle City Hall \(bus access, parking, & building access\)](#)

Remote Meeting Location: WebEx



Members Present: Councilmember Jay Mills, Councilmember Jeremy Takala, Megan Castillo, Councilmember Suzanne Sailto, Derrick Belgarde, and Asia Tail

Members Excused: Vice Chair Donny Stevenson, Esther Lucero, and Jaci McCormack

Guests: Aja Hazelhoff, Nick Welch, Dakota Murray, and Tim Lehman, Office of Planning and Community Development; Councilmember Teresa Mosqueda; Erin House, Office of Councilmember Mosqueda; Traci Ratzliff, Council Central Staff; Michael Jenkins and Valerie Kinast, Office of Planning and Community Development

Items

1 **Welcome and Opening Blessing**

2 **Approval of the Agenda (October)**

- Approved without changes.

Approval of the Minutes (September)

- Approved without changes.
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Anti-Displacement Framework

- Briefing and discussion with Aja Hazelhoff, Nick Welch, Dakota Murray, and Tim Lehman.
- OPCD is drafting an Anti-Displacement Framework to accompany the One Seattle Comprehensive Plan. As Seattle explores new growth strategies, there is an urgent need to ensure growth does not drive further displacement of low-income communities and communities of color.
- Throughout 2023, OPCD has convened community partners to discuss new and stronger anti-displacement tools. The draft anti-displacement framework will include a variety of existing tools and new opportunities to enhance and expand anti-displacement efforts in Seattle. Topic areas include: 1) production and preservation of affordable housing; 2) tenant protections; 3) homeownership retention; 4) pathways to return; 5) community ownership and land development; 6) pathways to opportunity; 7) business and cultural anchors; 8) equitable investments; and 9) community connections and belonging.

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- To date, outreach among Native community partners has revealed a number of findings. Community partners affirmed the following: 1) current growth strategies are driving displacement among Native communities; 2) Low-displacement risk areas are desirable locations for Native inclusion; 3) There is a desire among Native communities to expand right of return policies to address the re-occurring and layered displacement of Tribal communities and to strengthen community preference policies; 4) Critical importance of maintaining and expanding cultural anchors including existing cultural facilities and exploration of new anti-displacement strategies in partnership with the City.
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- In late 2023/early 2024, OPCD anticipates hosting a series of community workshops to review the draft anti-displacement framework. Workshop goals are to refine and prioritize community commitments and investments that address displacement. The IAC is invited to participate in these workshops (attendees or facilitators) and the IAC can provide written public comment when the draft framework and plan are publicly released.
- IAC provided feedback on how to integrate Tribal enterprises into commercial affordability strategies. IAC members reiterated the importance of community access to greenspace and uplifted the land bank option to help acquire and preserve land for community uses in partnership with the City and/or community-based organizations. IAC members advised that local bureaucracy often adds unnecessary and costly processes to navigate simple tasks (ex. extensive permitting process for free libraries and dead tree removal). IAC members asked for a session to discuss anti-displacement strategies as this work progresses. OPCD advised that Equitable Development Zoning may be another area of interest to brief the IAC on.

City Land Disposition Policies Updates

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| 4 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discussion with CM Mosqueda, Erin House, and Traci Ratzliff. • Anticipated Statement of Legislative Intent (SLI) will be discussed in the November 2023 budget hearings. SLI is anticipated to include a workgroup of City, Tribal and urban Native, and other affordable housing providers to recommend policy updates to Seattle City Council in 2024. | 30 min |
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Design Commission Overview and Indigenous Design

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| 5 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Briefing and discussion with Michael Jenkins and Valerie Kinast • The Design Commission currently has openings for the following seats: Architect, Engineer, and Artist. IAC members are welcome to review and refer interested people. • The Design Commission advises the Mayor, City Council, and City departments on the design and environmental aspects of public capital projects. This can include capital improvement projects, right of way projects, major transportation projects, and plan or policy review (ex. Fire stations, bridges, freeways, parks and pump stations). • The Design Commission typically has three touchpoints with a project over the lifespan of the design process. • Over the years, there have been a few examples of integrating Native history and cultures into design. There is still a critical need to advance Native cultural narratives when these capital projects are in the earliest stages of development. Cultural narratives can help guide the Design Commission, architects, and other project partners in making decisions that are inclusive of Tribal and urban Native communities. | 30 min |
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2024 Mayoral Budget		
6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Francesca shared an overview of the City budget process and highlighted a few priorities from Mayor Harrell’s proposed Mid-Biennial Budget Adjustment. The 2023 Adopted Budget included \$20,334,738 in total investment adds impacting Native communities. The 2024 Endorsed Budget included \$3,484,698 in investment adds impacting Native communities. There are no proposed adjustments to the 2024 endorsed items that may impact Native communities. There are four items in the proposed budget that may impact Native communities including three items related to proposed contract increases for various human service contracts, new FTEs for a fish hatchery, and a proposed departmental change for Community Wealth/Generational Wealth Building activities. Key dates in the remaining budget process include: October 11 - 13 & 19 – SCC will convene the select budget committee; October 19 – Revenue Forecast; October 23 & 27 & November 8 – SCC self-balanced amendments;- November 13 -15 – SCC final budget deliberations; November 20 & 21 – SCC final votes. 	15 min
Old Business		
7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Policy Priorities – IAC engaged in brief discussion on next steps for meeting in committees to discuss policy ideas prior to November 11, 2023 meeting. Indigenous Public Transit Design event – The IAC has an opportunity to co-sponsor an event with the Design Commission. The event will be a public talk with Māori architect and changemaker, Elisapeta Heta. The Indigenous City Committee reviewed the co-sponsorship request. The IAC voted to co-sponsor the event to take place on November 7, 2023. IAC Budget: Francesca shared updates on the 2023 IAC budget. All allocated resources are anticipated to be spent by December 31, 2023. 	10 min
8	Member Announcements <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No member announcements. 	5 min
6	Hybrid Public Comment Required public comment period for community members to speak to agenda items <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No requests for public comment. 	10 min
7	Closing & Next Steps <ul style="list-style-type: none"> July-September 2023 Quarterly Invoicing is due 10/31/23. 	